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U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/826,411 filed April 4, 2001,
by Jason P. McDevitt et al. for "DENTAL WIPE."

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/826,413 filed April 4, 2001,
by Jason P. McDevitt et al. for "FINGER GLOVE."

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